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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to an Office Action mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on January 13, 2004, (hereinafter, the "Office Action"). This response is due on July 13, 2004, by virtue of the petition and fee for a three-month extension of time filed herewith. Should any fees be due in connection with this document, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Marshall, Gerstein & Borun, LLP deposit account number 13-2855.

**Amendments to the specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the complete listing of claims pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 13 of this paper.